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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000  
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First Named Inventor	Megumi YOKOI et al.		
Application No.	09/645,880	Group Art Unit	2186
Filing Date	August 25, 2000	Examiner	Denise Tran
CPA Filing Date		Confirmation No	4079
Title of Invention	MULTIPROCESSOR SYSTEM AND MEMORY ACCESS METHOD		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

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Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 8, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

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Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
- b. ☐ Other

		BASIC FEE		\$	770.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>November 25, 2003</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)):					
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)					
Total of above Calculations =				\$	770.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).					
TOTAL FEES DUE =				\$	770.00
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
6. METHOD OF PAYMENT <span style="float: right;">Technology Center 2100</span>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>\$770.00</u> is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)					
7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: <b>Deposit Account No. 19-3935.</b>					
8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS <div style="text-align: center;">           STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP    <b>21171</b>  <small>PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE</small> </div>					
9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED					
NAME		Alicia M. Choi		REGISTRATION NO.	46,621
SIGNATURE				DATE	February 25, 2004



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In re the Application of:

Megumi YOKOI et al.

Serial No. 09/645,880

Group Art Unit: 2186

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Examiner: Denise Tran

For: MULTIPROCESSOR SYSTEM AND MEMORY ACCESS METHOD

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.182 AND §1.17(H)

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Sir:

An Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on November 25, 2003, was filed on December 25, 2003 with a Petition for a one-month extension of time. On February 24, 2004, Applicants' representative conducted a telephone conference with SPE Matt Kim of Art Unit 2186 regarding the status of the above-identified application.

According to SPE Matt Kim, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office misplaced the Amendment of December 8, 2003. However, Supervisor Kim indicated that because we have a stamped postcard by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office certifying that the Amendment was filed and received by them, he would honor the filing date of December 8, 2003. Attached is a copy of the Amendment, Amendment Fee Transmittal form, and stamped postcard.

In order to provide the Examiner of record with additional time to consider the Amendment filed on December 8, 2003, Applicants are filing concurrently herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) with a request for an extension of time.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully petition that the RCE be considered with a request for an extension of time. Applicants respectfully petition that the indicated \$130.00 petition fee under 37 CFR §1.17(h) be waived for the foregoing reasons. Further, Applicants respectfully petition that a second-month and a third-month extension of time for filing of the RCE be waived for the foregoing reasons.

Therefore, it is submitted that no fee should be required for this Petition. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, please charge the fee of \$130.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935. Further, if a fee is deemed necessary, please charge the fee of \$840.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

If there are any questions regarding this Petition or the papers submitted herewith, or any other matter related to the above-identified application, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: 02/25/2004

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